

The Alexandria Gazette

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 7.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT.—In the U. S. District Court, sitting in this place, decrees of condemnation in the following cases were ordered to be entered yesterday.

U. S. vs. W. A. Gray, same vs. D. T. Shrieve, same vs. Lewis D. Means, same vs. Jas. B. McCarty, same vs. Wm. Whaley, same vs. John Landstreet, same vs. M. Y. Partlow, and same vs. J. T. Gordon.

The U. S. Marshall was ordered by the court to put in possession of certain property of W. N. McVeigh, the purchaser, Thomas Sales. An order to release certain personal property of the Misses Ann and Maria Washington, in the possession of L. B. Taylor, was issued.

THE MARKET, this morning was only tolerably supplied, and all kinds of provisions are very high. Beef is offered at 25@30 cts. for best pieces—Mutton and Veal 20 cts. per lb. The early Vegetables are scarce and high—such as asparagus, onions and lettuce. Butter is from 35 to 50 cts. per lb. Shad 25 cts. per pair for best.

It is announced that the sale of lands in Accomac and Northampton counties, under the U. S. Direct Tax Law, has been postponed until June 13.

The Baltimore American says:—"About eight o'clock on Thursday night a man dressed in the uniform of the Confederate infantry was arrested at the Eutaw House upon the charge of being a spy. It appears that the accused, whilst lounging about the house, was observed by several Federal officers, who caused his arrest. He acknowledged that he once held a commission in the 12th Virginia Infantry, but deserted some weeks since. He is now in custody awaiting an examination."

On Wednesday a prize fight occurred near Philadelphia between two bruisers known as Patsey Marley and Dorsey Harris for \$1,000 a side. They fought for an hour and twenty-eight minutes. Thirty-five rounds were fought, when Harris was declared the victor. The proper authorities were called on to quell the disturbance, but were too late to prevent it.

A woman in Philadelphia, on Wednesday, developed a new idea in trade. She is engaged in the avocation of peddling lead-pencils; and going into a store desired the proprietor to purchase some of her stock. The gentleman declining, the female huxter drew a double-barreled pistol from her bosom and said:—"If you don't buy some I'll blow your brains out." She was finally arrested.

A copy of the Zaragoza, the Juarist journal of Matamoros, says that "a grand banquet was lately given in that city to Major General McClelland and Mr. Hamilton, the Union Governor of Texas, at which the names of Lincoln and Juarez were frequently introduced. Gov. Hamilton proposed as a sentiment "the defeat of the French and their expulsion from Mexican Territory." This incident in the present condition of Mexican affairs has attracted much attention in Mexico."

"A dog in Boston is named Quota, because it is said he never seems to be full."

FROM THE RED RIVER.

Telegraphic dispatches from Cairo report that advices from New Orleans to the 29th have been received there. Banks' array is reported to be at Alexandria, but would probably leave that place for the Mississippi river. Admiral Porter according to this dispatch, was sixty miles above Alexandria endeavoring to float the gunboat Eastport by relieving her of her guns and iron plating. "If she could not be raised it was his intention to destroy her." The New York Journal of Commerce has a report from New Orleans that Banks, on his retreat to Alexandria, was assailed by the Confederates in force at Cane River, and suffered heavily. Thirteen of his transports and guns are said to have been blown-up by his orders to prevent falling into the hands of the Confederates.

LATER.

CAIRO, May 6.—A gunboat has arrived from Red river with information that, finding it impossible to get the Eastport off, and being attacked by the Confederates while endeavoring to light her, she was destroyed by Admiral Porter to prevent her falling into the hands of the Confederates. The iron-clads Fort Hindman, Joliet, and two transports, despatched to assist in relieving the Eastport, were attacked while returning to Alexandria by the Confederates, who lined the banks of the river on both sides, firing upon them from a 12 pounder battery, making it necessary also to destroy the transports, which were burned. Several of the crew of the iron-clads were killed and wounded. Among the killed was Sylvester Pool, of Newport, Ky., the executive officer of the Eastport, who had charge of the sharpshooters on the Hindman; he was struck in the back of the head by a twelve pound ball.—Latest advices from below represent the appearance of the Confederates on both banks of the Mississippi. The Federal pickets were drawn in at Vicksburg, and an attack is anticipated upon that place.

French Sympathy.

LEAVENWORTH, May 1.—The Conservative's Fort Smith correspondent says: In a late letter mention was made of the fact that Price's army in Southwestern Arkansas had quite recently been reclothed with English goods, which had been received via Mexico and Texas. The recent visit of Sterling Price to Texas had this for its object. Information recently received develops a startling fact.—The point at which these supplies crossed into Texas was probably at the Eagle Pass (Fort Duncan.) To that point from the sea coast supplies were guarded to Texas by French soldiers. There is no doubt of this fact. The information came in a direct way. A very large amount of stores, warlike and otherwise are reported as constantly arriving. The trains are always protected by French military authorities till reach the Confederate lines.

The Campaign.

[From the Columbus (Ga.) Times, April 22.]

The capture of Richmond would prove of greater importance to our enemies in a political point of view than in any other sense.—With our capital in their possession we would find additional influences brought to bear against us abroad; but as a material loss, its fall would in no manner compare with the disadvantages which would result from a defeat of Gen. Johnston, and the occupation of Georgia that would follow. The first point is near our boundary lines; the second is our great centre. To lose the one would be as the loss of a limb; should we be driven from the other it will be a terrible blow at our most vital point. This we must admit, and our enemy knows it.

A dispatch from Washington says that information has reached there that Beauregard is at Petersburg, Va., with thirty thousand men.

U. S. CONGRESS.—In the Senate yesterday, the bill to amend the charter of the city of Washington "so as to preserve the purity of elections," was called up, and after being debated at length on an amendment to insert the word "white" in describing persons entitled to exercise the elective franchise, was laid aside. The National Bank bill was further debated.

In the House of Representatives the Committee on Elections submitted a report in the contested election case of Francis P. Blair, Jr., and Samuel Knox, declaring that the former was not, and that the latter was, entitled to a seat, which was ordered to be printed. The claim of Mr. Bruce, in opposition to that of Mr. Loan, to represent the Seventh District of Missouri, was also considered, but without coming to any decision, the House adjourned.

The New York World thinks that Gen. Lee may have such advantages of position and fortifications, that, with great mutual losses, there may be no such decisive advantage on either side as to dispense with further severe fighting.

FARM AT AUCTION—SALE POSITIVE.

I WILL sell, at public sale, on the premises, on Wednesday, May 25th, the fine estate, MOUNT ZEPHYR, of 645 acres prime upland; in a high state of cultivation, well watered, good fencing, fine dwelling, ice and meat houses, blacksmith shop, and tools, growing crops; also 2 fine BROOD MARES, 2 promising COLTS of fine stock, 3 MULES, 3 pair OXEN, Fresh MILCH COWS and CALVES, a DEVON BULL, Hogs of the best breed, Poultry, Ploughs and Furniture. The farm is 1 1/2 miles from Mount Vernon wharf, 6 from Alexandria and 13 from Washington, the best markets in the United States. Terms for personal property cash; for real estate 1/3 cash, 1/3 in 3 years, 1/3 in 6 years with interest. For further particulars address W. Ward, Mount Zephyr, Alexandria, Va.

W. L. PENN, Auctioneer.
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STEAM ICE CREAM MANUFACTORY.

OLD DOMINION BAKERY.

EDWARD PIEPENBRING, No. 149, King street, has been appointed the agent in this city, for the manufacture and sale of ICE CREAM made by steam, of the richest and most delicious kind. Dealers supplied with any quantity at short notice. Mr. P. has also handsomely fitted up a saloon, at his establishment, where ICE CREAM and WATER ICES, with Cakes and Confectionery of all kinds will be served at all hours.
my 6—1w

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to the estate of the late ISAAC BUCKINGHAM, are requested to come forward without delay and make settlement. Persons to whom the estate may be indebted are requested to present their claims duly authenticated to the undersigned, No. 125, Prince street, or to Wm. Buckingham, No. 71, King st.

MARY W. BUCKINGHAM, Administratrix.
my 4—dlw

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—The undersigned, having taken out letters of Administration on the estate of JOHN E. HENDERSON, dec'd. hereby gives notice to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the estate will present them properly authenticated for settlement. WILLIS HENDERSON.
ap 6—1m

TO PREVENT SICKNESS, PURIFY THE BLOOD!

NOTHING is more wholesome at this time of year, than a gentle purgative. It will purify the blood and digestive organs, and enable the system the better to endure the warm season to come. For this purpose we would advise every one in quest of sound health, to try a box of Prof. Wundram's Vegetable Pills or Powders which have proved so salutary the past two seasons, to all who tried them. For sale at most Druggists. See advertisement in another column.
ap 30—2m